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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

China Mail.

Our King and Emperor.

To-day, throughout the British Empire and the world in general, hearty congratulations are being extended to His Majesty, King George the Fifth, on the occasion of the anniversary of his forty-seventh birthday. To-day therefore is a fitting opportunity of respectfully comparing the position His Majesty at present occupies in the general estimation with the position he held previous to entering upon his exalted station two years ago. It may be stated at once that popular as was our King and Emperor two years ago, he is very much more popular to-day. Greatness never fails to attract, but unless behind that greatness there is something genuinely worthy, no amount of greatness ever can continue to appeal even to the most loyal of subjects.

Daily Press

Chinese Trade Returns.

The annual report of the Chinese Maritime Customs contains a great surprise for most people. Notwithstanding the disturbance of trade caused by the Revolution, which extended over practically the whole of the last quarter of the year 1911, the country's foreign trade, and consequently the Customs revenue, exceeded all previous records. The total collection—11k. taels 36,179,825—exceeded that of 1910 by Tls. 607,946. As the Statistical Secretary says, this figure would, of course, have been much larger had the trade of the last quarter not been interfered with by political disturbances. On September 30 there was a total gain of 11k. Tls. 2,400,000 as compared with the corresponding three quarters of 1911; but the heavy falling off in the last quarter, as compared with the corresponding quarter of 1910, reduced the year to the figures quoted above. The foreign trade during the first nine months of the year, the report tells us, showed great expansion as compared with 1910, and even after the collapse, brought about in the fourth quarter by political causes, imports still continued to pour into the country. That can excite no surprise, however. The Revolution broke out very suddenly and no one imagined that the Government would prove so impotent to suppress a political uprising, and certainly there were few who anticipated that any revolutionary rising would be so wide-spread. The imports which arrived in China in the last quarter of the year had been ordered, of course, long previously and could not be cancelled.

South China Morning Post.

Trade in China.

The statistical secretary believes also that the rise of China into a world power will make for peace, because she will be able to touch her commonsense view of the folly of war to the willing and exhausted listeners of the western world. He has confidence in the commercial future of the country, and we only wish that we could share his optimism not only in regard to her commercial but her political progress. The former depends to a great extent on the stability of her administration and the policy pursued. We cannot question for one moment the natural resources of the vast country, but we fear a great deal of them will lie fallow for many years unless foreign capital and control are enlisted. At the present time we cannot be blind to the fact that there is a strong revival of feeling against the foreigner, whatever country he hails from, and the mass of Chinese have yet to be educated to the truth that they should court the support and sympathies of foreigners if the future of China, so confidently sketched by the statisticians of the Maritime Customs, is to be assured.

WOMEN'S WORLD

[Items of interest to women, notices of forthcoming and noted on recent social events, and kindred paragraphs will be cordially welcomed. The co-operation of our lady readers is asked in order to make this feature at once especially interesting and useful.]

HOME FASHION AND FANCIES.

So far as the fashions for the present season have declared themselves, there can be no question of their charm and grace. The excessively tight skirts have been replaced in the smart world by a modified form that, while showing a pretty figure to great advantage, is less cruel to opposite than the extremely tight fashion. The materials, especially for evening dress, are simply ideal, their softness, lightness, and suppleness being admirable. As many of these materials are of English manufacture, it is all the more gratifying to be able to praise them unreservedly as they deserve. The fanier is already finding its way to grace of outline and a certain becomingness that very favourably contrast with recent styles, says a lady, writing from Home.

The Rage for Silk.

Soft silks in black and dark colours are being turned out by our ladies' tailors in thousands. Some of these are plain, others shot, and shot silks are also used for the long outdoor coat, which has become almost a uniform among well-dressed women. Satin is by no means excluded from the list of fashionable materials. Quite the contrary. Dark blue satin forms many a smart tailor-made, and black satin vies with its sister silk in favour among the well-dressed.

Long Silk Coats.

The long black silk coat with sleeves to the wrist is one of the most comfortable as well as one of the smartest garments of the season. It is usually trimmed with flat bias folds of the same material, but as a rule the trimming is confined to the top of the back, the top of the sleeves, and the wrists, and perhaps a couple of dainty flat pockets. Almost useless these are, as no one with any regard for fashion dare make them bulge with even the flattest handkerchief or the tiniest purse. The form of these coats is straight up and down from under the arms, and the fastenings are usually flat loops of cord with large buttons covered with moiré silk. All the new coats have turn-down collars, and it is optional with the wearer to have a turn-down collar to the dress or blouse beneath, or to have one high to the ears. One of the prettiest of the season's frocks is in shot silk, green and blue and amber, with paniers in soft silk of the exact tone of green in the shot. These paniers form a straight line a couple of inches above the knees, but they do not bulge in the silk as they are apt to do in heavier materials, and are, therefore, much more graceful.

Some New Models.

The fashion of having the two sides of bodice unlike holds its own, and is occasionally very picturesque. One of these has a trained skirt in black satin, with the bodice of filmy cream-coloured silk muslin on the side, the other side, with the short sleeve, composed of thickly embroidered opalescent thin silk. The sleeves are of the kimono order, and are edged with opalescent beads. In this case the bodice completely covers the shoulders, and ends in a neck-band of embroidery similar to that on the bodice. A very lovely gown has the two sides of the bodice dissimilar, one being in orange-silk crepe, extremely fine and supple, draped from the right shoulder across to the left side of the waist, while the other sleeve and half of the bodice are in finest pale grey crepe, sewn with very small pearls. In this instance the skirt is in crepe-de-chine, in the exact tone of grey with that on the bodice. A wide sash of grey satin, very rich and yet supple, passes twice round the waist, is tied in a flat bow on the right side, and falls in long ends of different lengths, each bordered with a fringe of graduated pearls.

Smart Footgear.

Suede shoes with jade buttons are the height of fashion at the moment. The strap that crosses the instep of the smart walking shoes is often embroidered in colour, and the buckle is again superseding the knot of ribbon. Rather fortunately, too, for the latter has an unhappy knack of getting untied and looking untidy. The new shape of the human foot feminine is very long and narrow, the sides rather low and showing much stocking. The buckle is often enormous. Persons of taste do not wear huge buckle, but to judge from what one sees, taste in dress is a rapidly disappearing quantity.

Gold shoes are very much worn with evening dress, and will be more than ever in vogue among those who notice their charming effect in Dickson's portrait of Mrs. Ernest Guinness in the Academy. They peep out from beneath the pale green gown, with its blue thought out toilette of any of the sitters for portraits at Burlington House.

The Value of Cashmere.

Cashmere is well to the fore for inexpensive gowns, and in its silk variety for elaborate dresses. It may be trimmed with braid, black or coloured, or with galon or passementerie, and sometimes the trimming forms the outline of a coat upon the skirt portion of an all-in-one gown. One of these is ornamented with pearl buttons and imitation button holes, a mode of trimming that looks very smart and is yet quite inexpensive. The neck is finished with a narrow yoke matching, the underleaves coming from under the straight, plain sleeves to the elbows.

Sleeves have been steadily getting longer during the last two years, and the very short ones of three seasons since are never seen in fashionable circles. These of this year end midway between elbow and wrist, and in the very newest gowns are tight and come quite to the wrists. The blouses follow suit, some of them being made with quite long, closely fitting sleeves, others with those that turn the elbows comfortably.

THE WU SOCIETY.

A Chinese paper is responsible for the report that a society has been formed in Peking recently called the Wu Society which means the I or My Society. Its object is to forbid the use of foreign goods and extend Chinese commodities. It has been originated by the Cantonese and has become popular with the people who are enthusiastic over the idea.

Dispatches received from Chinese Turkestan report that conditions in that province are far from peaceful and some other officials besides the Governor have been murdered. Military aid is applied for to restore order.

The Citizen Fund Society in Nanking has elected Tsen Chun-huan ex-Niceroy of Szechuen, as director in Shanghai for the society.

Similar societies in the provinces of Shantung, Kiangsi, Honan, Hunan and Anhui have telegraphed to Nanking to join the society in that city.

The aborigines in the north and west of Szechuen who have joined the Tibetans to oppose the republicans and the plundering Kiang have been defeated.

The Unionist members of the National Council are strongly desirous of overthrowing the Premier and supporting Minister Hsing Hai-ling as his successor, with Messrs. Tang Wen-chih, Chang Chien and Chen Chia-tao as Ministers of Industry and Finance; but this has been opposed by the Alliance Society and the Republican Party. The Ministers have tendered their resignations, but were prevailed upon to desist by the President. It is said that a certain power is endeavoring to secure Tang's overthrow.

At the request of the foreign Ministers in Peking the Minister of Foreign Affairs has informed the provinces that the foreign Commissioners of Customs will be retained in service.

GENERAL NEWS.

Rajah Brooke.

The Rajah of Sarawak left London on April 27 for Marseilles on his way to Sarawak. Mr. Charles A. Bampfylde, of Lavethan, Bodmin, Cornwall, remains as his political agent in England during his absence.

Chinese Banishments from F.M.S.
The "Straits Times" informs us that one hundred and fifty-four Chinese were banished from the F.M.S. during 1911.

The same paper reports that a ricksha coolie has been killed and eaten by a tiger on the Tambur Road a few miles from Ipoh.

Oriental Consolidated Mining Co.
Messrs. Benjamin and Potts, share and general brokers, inform the "Shanghai Mercury" that they are advised by cable from their London Agents that the Oriental Consolidated Mining Co., Ltd. (Korea), has declared a First Interim Dividend for the current year of G. \$0.50, say 2 1/2 pence share.

How the \$5,000,000 will be Spent.
Mr. Hsing Hai-ling has promulgated a statement for the expenditure of the advance of \$5,000,000 from the Four Powers syndicate as follows:—\$2,000,000 for military expenses in Nanking; \$1,000,000 for Yunnan; \$500,000 for Yinkow; \$300,000 for Tibet; \$200,000 for Chihli; and \$1,200,000 for the different Ministries in the capital and the balance of \$300,000 will remain in the treasury of the Ministry of Finance.

OPIUM IN MANILA.

Smokers Interviewed.

A large number of Chinese in the Philippines have been interviewed by a "Manila Times" reporter. He says that in the case of almost every one questioned, the first point that each brought up, was that they consider the restriction of opium smoking class legislation, inasmuch as they consider the use of the poppy less injurious to themselves and to the public than many habits which are permitted by law. They state that the police are witnesses to the fact that a noisy or disorderly opium-user is almost unknown. That smokers cannot be found lying in the streets, nor can they be heard in the small hours of the night making the quiet streets ring with Bacchanalian songs, as automobiles speed along. They claim that opium is less injurious than wine, and that the use of it disturbs the public peace less. They admit that the use of it is harmful, but point to the numbers of users who have had the habit and have smoked continually for thirty and forty years and are still living. That, although the habitual user looks to be at death's door, he has had that same appearance for years, and really is in good health.

American law too hard on habitual smokers.

Others state that they were addicted to the drug long before there was any law prohibiting the use of it, and that it is an injustice to require them to abandon it now. Prominent Chinese stated, however, that only three-tenths of the former number are now using the drug; that the others had broken themselves of the habit, by the tapering off system instituted by government physicians.

Many stated that they first used the drug under advice of physicians, and felt better for the use of it. Others frankly stated that they were hard-working men, that their lives were full of hardship and lack of comfort, and that the few hours during which they were under the effect, with the attendant rosy dreams, were well worth the chance of being caught and punished, though they knew it to be contrary to law.

Almost all said that they considered it rather an injustice on the part of the government that age was not taken into consideration in enforcing the law, and pointed to the opium restrictions of new China as an example. Under those laws all persons under forty years of age are required to give up the use unconditionally. Those from fifty to sixty are permitted the use of the drug, but in small quantities. Those over sixty are not interfered with, as it is considered that the habit is so fixed that being deprived of the drug would be more harmful than its continued use.

NEW IRELAND.

Missionary's Description of a German Colony.

Among the passengers who recently travelled on the German boat "Sigismund" from Hongkong to Sydney was Mr. Reddin, a Methodist missionary, who has been several years in the Bismarck Archipelago, his last station being New Ireland, a spot lying about two degrees south of the Equator.

A Sydney "Evening News" reporter had a conversation with him and was informed that in New Ireland there was about 20 whites to 15,000 natives. It was a quiet island, so far as the last named were concerned; but not so quiet as regards its foundation. Earthquake shocks were more or less frequent—not altogether severe shocks, just sufficient to rattle the treckery and make the doors swing on their hinges.

"Is it a fertile island?" said the reporter.
"Yes; that is to say, it will grow coconuts. An eternal spring, as it were. If you want a fence you put in some stakes of local timber, and in a very short space of time you have a perfect 'living' fence."

The German officials have everything well in hand. The natives are absolutely under control, and they work splendidly. As an example let me mention that a road 100 miles long has just been finished by the natives, and well finished, too, enabling one to traverse the whole course in a motor car without inconvenience. This thoroughfare goes right through and across the island.

Plantations are being established all over the island. You see land is obtainable at a small cost. It is necessary to apply to the Government for a permit to buy land, then the natives must be willing to sell, and witnesses are required at all these transactions, so that it is not possible to indulge in trickery.

"What is the staple industry?"
"Copra, and the output is large. Last year 20,000 bags were sent away from the chief port."

"In New Ireland there have been lots of little earthquake shocks, but at Rabaul I believe they have been rather severe."

"What are your missionary methods?"
"We have our schools, where the natives are taught to read and write."

"In English?"
"Oh, no. At present the New Britain dialect is taught, in addition to German. You must not forget that it is part of German territory."

"Are your scholars apt—do they want to learn?"
"Certainly they do; and we have some very good results."

"Apart from the educational side, are they industrious?"
"Well they have to work on the roads and plantations. The Government keep the roads in order, and many are contracted to planters. There is plenty for them to do."

"There have been nothing in the shape of atrocities lately?"
"In the Admiralty Group cannibals still exist, and from time to time there is trouble, the last being the murder of a Japanese trader and his boat's crew. The victims were eaten."

Chinese Labour.

At a place called Soi, not far from us, a big saw mill has been started, and German timber experts have said that the quality of the timber is equal to anything in the world. The result has been the placing of large orders for export. An Englishman has charge, and he says he cannot cope with the demand.

"Are there any Japanese where you have come from?"
"I don't think there is one. But the Chinese are on the increase, and this had given rise to a strong protest on the part of the planters. A meeting of the Planters' Association was held lately, at which a resolution was carried, for presentation to the Governor, requesting the placing of restrictions upon the Chinese."

"The natives look upon the Celestials as white men, and treat them with becoming respect. These Chinese obtain positions of trust in trading stations, and of course, become somebody in authority."

"Any bad weather lately?"

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CHINA AND OPIUM.

A serious state of affairs is revealed in the representations made to the Government of India by the leading opium merchants of Bombay concerning "the extremely critical situation of the opium trade with China." According to the authors of the complaint, Chinese merchants are unable to accept delivery of Indian opium because several provincial authorities, ignoring Treaty stipulations, refuse to admit it. As a consequence, the Bombay merchants are obliged to continue buying the drug in order to keep up the prices and prevent a collapse in Chinese markets. But the petitioners do not stop here. They go further: not merely do they allege unwarranted interference with the Indian trade; they also assert that the resumption of opium cultivation in China itself remains unchecked and that unless the Government immediately and strongly supports the merchants, a grave financial crisis will follow.

Those who are at all acquainted with the history of the opium question in China will, perhaps, hardly be surprised at this latest development. In the situation, for during the recent past there have not been wanting signs that, since the disturbing effects of the Revolution, very little attention has been paid to Treaty provisions affecting the traffic. The whole country has been so absorbed in internal political eruptions that but little thought has been given to international obligations either in this or any other question. To the same reason may be attributed the loosening of the bonds connecting the central government with the provincial authorities—an interruption of unity which is still apparent; and to which may be traced the open flouting of the Treaties by some of the provinces who have refused to admit Indian opium. It is fortunate in this instance that there can be no quibbling as to the rights and wrongs of the situation, for the extent to which the trade may be carried on by India and the obligations which rest on China are expressly declared in signed Treaties, and the Bombay merchants must obviously possess good grounds for lodging the protest which they have issued.

The latest turn taken demonstrates the supreme need of the central Government in Peking assuming a real measure of control over the Provincial authorities. The New China will have to learn that in the days to come foreign traders will brook no irritating dislocations such as the Old China frequently created through evasion of Treaty stipulations. Conventions agreed to between the defunct Manchu Government and the Powers will have to be rigorously observed by the Republican Government, and any divergence therefrom by particular Provinces, or by the country as a whole, will be visited on the central authority. As Sir Edward Grey recently put it when referring to the opium question in the House of Commons, if any reluctance is displayed by the new Government in taking over its obligations in this matter, the whole question of the Agreement will have to be raised.

DAY BY DAY.

All-round efficiency is required to make a man a man, and not merely a Nimrod or a ramrod or a fishing-rod.

A Lengthy List.

In all there were eighty-four first class passengers that left Hongkong in the s.s. Tenyo Maru, this morning.

Obstruction.

A fine of \$2 or in default five days was imposed on a man at the Police Court, this morning, charged with causing an obstruction.

How to Sign Receipts.

At the Police Court, this morning, a man was fined \$1 for stamping a receipt without signing his name and the date across it.

Unstamped Receipts.

At the P. C. Court, this morning, a man employed by the comprador of the Standard Oil Company was fined \$10 for failing to stamp receipts.

Bound for Shanghai.

Among the passengers by the s.s. Tenyo Maru this morning were the Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross and the Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, both of whom are bound for Shanghai.

Mails Arrived.

The following mails arrived today: Per s.s. Japan from Singapore and Calcutta; per s.s. Salvia from Europe, Saigon and Singapore; s.s. Kwanglee from Shanghai; s.s. Loongsing from Manila.

Absent Lawyers.

We are informed that the arbitration which was responsible for the absence of some of the lawyers, engaged in the now celebrated Li case, and which was dealt with at Canton last week, concerned a quantity of arms which were detained in that port for a period of forty-eight hours but were subsequently released. The value of the arms concerned was \$250,000, including 3,000,000 rounds of ammunition.

Feminine Impetuosity.

At the Police Court, this morning:

Interpreter to Prisoner.—You were arrested on the wharf.

A woman in the dock.—Get out, I was arrested on the wharf (laughter).

Prince Waldemar Joins S.M.S. Tiger.

As stated in our columns yesterday Prince Waldemar of Prussia brought his visit to Shanghai to a conclusion on May 30, leaving by train for Chinkiang. At Chinkiang he joins the German gunboat Tiger, and on board her will travel to Nanking and Hankow. Thence he will continue his journey to Tsingtao and Peking.

Disorderly Coolie.

At the Police Court, this morning, a coolie was charged with disorderly conduct on Douglas wharf.

A youth named Gracia stated that the coolie would not get out of the way of anybody, and, when spoken to, created a disturbance.

He was fined \$2.

Mr. Bingham Arrives.

Among the arrivals in Hongkong are Mr. and Mrs. Bingham of Messrs. Lowe, Matthews and Bingham. Mr. Bingham has come to Hongkong in connection with the Sisk Indrapura Rubber Co., a case concerning the company, being likely to be heard in the Court here. Mr. and Mrs. Bingham are staying at the Hongkong Hotel.

Blocking the Street.

For some time a repairer of rickshaws used to block up the street with crippled vehicles. This morning, at the Police Court, he was convicted that the practice was illegal, through the Magistrate fining him \$10.

Left this Morning.

Lieut. and Mrs. Cunningham left for Shanghai this morning by the s.s. Tenyo Maru. Lieutenants Law and Butler were passengers by the same boat.

Mr. and Mrs. Neilson left Hongkong this morning in the s.s. Tenyo Maru, as did also Mr. J. W. Taylor, of Messrs. Moxon and Taylor, and Mr. E. J. Hill.

Special Jury Case.

To-morrow a special jury case is to be tried in the Supreme Court before the Chief Justice, Mr. W. Rees Davies, K.C. The case is between Chinese plaintiffs and a well-known insurance company, the dispute arising over the payment to be made by the defendants on account of damage done by fire.

Ratanul Rubber.

A London wire states that the directors of Ratanul Estate, Ltd., have declared a dividend of 7 1/2 per cent.

Theft of Bedspread.

At the Police Court this morning a Chinese was sentenced to one month's hard labour for stealing a bedspread.

Rather Unnecessary Question.

Indian Constable.—The man and the woman were struggling.

Mr. Melbourne.—Was he touching her?

Alleged Stoning of Constable.

At the Police Court to-day a man was remanded on a charge of throwing stones at an Indian constable in Wing Wo Street. Bail was fixed at \$50.

Alleged Assault at Police Station.

A man charged with theft at the Police Court, to-day, alleged that at the police station he was assaulted, and had bank-notes taken from him.

Opium Divan.

Nine men were fined \$2 each at the Police Court this morning for being concerned in an opium divan. The charge of "keeping" preferred against one man was dismissed.

A BAD TEMPERED WOMAN.

At the Police Court this morning a woman was fined \$2 for hawking within the prohibited area, and arising out of the case, was the prosecution of the defendant's daughter for attempting to rescue her while being taken to the station.

According to the evidence of the police, the woman was very bad-tempered in the station and became very disorderly.

Defendant was fined \$5 or in default ten days.

ABSCONDING PARTNER CASE.

A Small Fine.

At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. Holmes, on behalf of the only remaining partner of the Man Ling Distillery Co., against which summonses were taken out for issuing unstamped receipts, said that, after investigating the receipts, his client had found that an absconding partner had signed the receipts in the name of the firm, and, though his client had no knowledge of it other than that intimation, he had now consented to take the onus upon himself.

The Revenue officer said he thought under the circumstances a small fine would meet the case. Mr. Melbourne agreed and fined defendant \$3.

FRENCH STORE PROSECUTION.

The Officer and the Brandy.

Inspector Withers strolled into the French store in Queen's Road on the 29th ult. and asked for a bottle of brandy, selecting the special brand. The shop-assistant declined to serve him with it and, in consequence, the proprietor of the store was summoned for not serving the officer with the liquor. He was represented at the Police Court this morning by Mr. Goldring, who asked for a remand.

The Bench agreed to grant the request and the case was adjourned.

THE COOLIE AND THE CORPSE.

Making Money on the Dead.

Yesterday a man took a dead body to the police station at West Point. The dead box was ordered and the police went to look at the body. On going outside the station the officer found that the body had disappeared. He made enquiries and found that a coolie had taken it in a certain direction. The coolie was followed, and it was ascertained that he had taken the body to the public dissectionary where he would get \$1. It appears that the dissectionary pays this sum for all bodies reclaimed from the streets. To-morrow the man will be charged with removing a dead body without permission.

OPIUM MERCHANTS' GRIEVANCES.

HARRASSING REGULATIONS AT CANTON.

China Ignoring Treaties.

Yesterday we received a telegram supplied through Reuter's Agency outlining representations made by the Bombay opium merchants to the Government of India regarding the extremely critical situation of the opium trade with China, due to defiance of the Treaties by provincial authorities. The telegram did not specify particular Provinces whose authorities have been guilty of flouting Treaty stipulations in this matter, but from enquiries which a "Telegraph" representative made this morning in well-informed quarters, it would appear that the offence is general throughout China.

The first question which our representative addressed to the authority was whether or not trouble had been experienced in Kwangtung.

"Yes," was the reply, "the Commissioner of Police in Canton has issued certain regulations affecting the dealers there, which we consider are harassing the trade and are totally contrary to the spirit of the Opium Agreement of last year."

"In what way?"

"Well, they say, for instance, that all business in opium must be knocked off by the end of this year. That is one of the principal points, and then they are making things very difficult for dealers in opium all round."

"What is being done in the matter?"

Strong Protest.

"The British Consul at Canton has protested very strongly, but evidently the Governor-General is unable to impose his will on the officials below him or on the anti-Opium Society."

Our representative then called attention to the statement in Reuter's message which said that Indian opium had been actually refused entry into some of the Provinces.

"That refers more particularly to the Province of Chekiang," was the explanation. "There they actually seized some opium and only released it on payment of a very heavy fine. Those regulations are still being enforced. The British Minister has made very urgent representations, but as the central authority does not seem able to impose their will on the provincial governments, the whole position remains in a very confused state at the present moment."

"Are there similar regulations in force in other parts of the country?"

"Yes, in Fukien the same thing exists. More than that, the growing of opium has again been started, and re-planting is being resumed almost everywhere."

"So things are in a very bad way?" queried our representative.

"Decidedly so; as the telegram from Reuter puts it, the trade is in a very critical state. Deliveries have fallen off, prices have declined, and although the Indian Government know very well that Treaty rights are not being upheld in China, they still go on merely selling month by month."

The Best Remedy.

What do you think is the remedy to meet the grievances?"

"Remedy! A gunboat and a few soldiers as far as I can see. That would be about the best remedy. But really speaking the remedy is not for us to find. We buy the opium from the Government of India and we look to them to be in a position to see that the Treaties are upheld. If they say, as the British Minister has said, that they are unable to enforce the Treaties, then we say it is immoral on the part of the Indian Government to sell us any more opium."

"Is it your view," enquired our representative, "that the Treaties are ignored more under the new regime than they were under the old?"

"I certainly do not think that the Treaties have ever been flouted so barefacedly as they are at present. It is most glaring, and the worst of it is that it is general, the growing of opium especially. As you will remember, Sir Alexander Hosie reported very

favourably on the suppression of cultivation of opium some time ago, but things are very different now."

"Another point to be noticed is that there is a very big quantity of opium being smuggled into China from Macao. This is cheap, uncertified opium which is meant for localities outside China. We don't know exactly where it goes, but Macao is certainly importing very much more than meets her legitimate requirements and is smuggling it into China."

The Crux of the Trouble.

"How do you account for this very general ignoring of Treaty obligations in China?" asked our representative.

"It is all due to the fact that the Peking Government has no control over the Provinces; each does exactly as it likes. The Manchus apparently were able to impose their will on the people if they chose to do so, but at the present time the provincial officials are running their own provinces as separate concerns without recognising any central control. This is the crux of the whole trouble."

In further conversation, the authority interviewed said:—"There is one other point. Outsiders often ask: 'If the outlook is so bad, why do you buy from the Indian Government?' That is a question very often asked by people not in commerce, and others who are ignorant of the trade conditions. The answer is that, if we do not buy, prices are likely to collapse, outsiders will step in and then compete with our heavy stocks here which amount to millions of pounds sterling."

"What we say is that it is immoral for the Indian Government to sell the stuff when they know there is no legitimate outlet for it in China. They ought to say: 'We are unable at present to enforce the Treaties and we will refrain from selling for the moment.'"

"Are stocks held up in Hongkong at all?" queried the "Telegraph" man.

"Oh yes; there are very heavy stocks in Hongkong just now. The stocks amount to about 7,000 chests."

"What does that represent in value?"

"About twenty-five million dollars. And, in addition to that, very heavy stocks have accumulated at Shanghai, even more so than in Hongkong."

SOLICITOR AND SUMMONSES.

A Case of Irregular Serving.

At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. Crowe appeared for a man summoned for an offence, with which others were connected, simply because the summonses were served upon him by mistake. Mr. Crowe said he appeared for the principal and only tenant of the third floor of 3 Tung Ching Lane upon whom, as tenant, three summonses had been served. The parties named in the summonses, which were for issuing unstamped receipts, did not belong to that address and never did, so far as his client knew. He would first of all have to object to the service. The revenue officer said that that was the address given him when he went round with the Government assessor.

Mr. Melbourne:—Will you take all three together?

Mr. Crowe:—I have no status here at all; there is no charge against my client. The summonses have been merely served upon the premises. I do not propose to appear on behalf of the defendants.

Mr. Melbourne:—I see, well, we will soon find out. (To the clerk). Do you remember serving these three summonses on the first of June?—Yes.

Did you ask if the people named on the summonses were there?—I cannot say.

What did you do then; serve it on the floor? I think the best thing I can do is to adjourn them sine die.

Mr. Crowe said that that would put his client to a lot of inconvenience and expense. He submitted that the summonses should be dismissed as far as his client was concerned.

The Magistrate agreed and said he was sorry Mr. Crowe's client had been put to so much trouble and expense through a clerical error.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

To Old Cliftonians.

If there be any Clifton old boys in Hongkong, they will learn with interest that a letter, signed by the Rt. Hon. Sydney Buxton, M.P., F. Younghusband, Sir A. Quiller Couch, and other well-known Cliftonians, is being sent to the Colonial Press, asking for contributions towards the purchase of a new sports field, which is to be a fiftieth-birthday present to the College. The Jubilee will be celebrated during the week ending July 13, and the Committee hope to be able to raise the sum of £10,000 by soon after that date, which amount will cover purchase and all the heavy additional expenses of out-buildings, laying out etc. Would-be subscribers are asked to communicate with Mr. Arthur Stone, 5 Finsbury Circus E.C.

Necessary Lesson.

Mr. C. D. Thwing has retracted, and apologised for, his language concerning King George in connection with the opium traffic. He had every reason to do so. A man who describes Britain's King as "the first great opium King" has something to learn in manners, in accuracy of speech, and in the exercise of discretion. "I have learned something," says Mr. Thwing. "I have lost good friends and have been called rather bad names, both in public and in private." We are neither surprised nor sorry to hear it. "No doubt I deserve all that; but I understand the British view point better," he adds. If he understands it, even moderately well, the lesson has done him all the good in the world.

Opium in Shansi.

An article dealing with the grievances of opium merchants appears in another column. In this connection it is interesting to read that a well-known foreign traveller who has arrived in Shanghai from Shansi states that a splendid crop of opium has been raised in that Province this season. All the country to the west and south-west of Tai Yuan-fu was covered lately with fields of poppy in full flower, and the people were rejoicing as the prospect of prosperity which the unusual bounteousness of the crop assured them. It has probably been harvested by this time, so that when Yuan Shih-kai's troops arrive, before the next crop is planted, to investigate the opium situation, they will be able to report that there is no poppy growing. Shansi, it will be remembered, was one of the Provinces closed to the Indian opium trade last year owing to the fact that opium cultivation had been suppressed within its borders.

The Wrong Date.

The "Cable News American" announces in bold letters:—"Knowles Better—will perform on Thursday and Friday, June 30th and 31st." We are willing to lay any odds, in or out of reason, that he will never appear on "June 31st" until the calendar is altered. But better men than run the "Cable News American" have erred in this direction. We recall a blue-book which held a letter from a British Foreign Secretary to a certain ambassador in London, dated February 20, and it was not leap-year either.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by our correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

DOGS HOME.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—A recent letter suggested that accommodation should be provided for cats as well as dogs. It has been decided to adopt this suggestion at once. Any sympathiser willing to contribute towards this extension may send a donation to me or Mr. F. K. Tata, Queen's Buildings.

In addition to private sales, as hitherto, it has been decided to sell dogs (and eventually cats also) by Dutch auction every Saturday at 3-30 p.m. in the Home, Causeway Bay. Buyers are invited.

By inserting this announcement you will further oblige. Yours etc. C. H. Hickling.

THE GAS WORKS CASE.

Defendant in the Box.

At the Police Court, this morning, the hearing of the case concerning the theft from the Gas Works was continued.

Mr. Shenton prosecuted and Mr. L. D'Almada, defended.

Mr. Shenton cross-examined defendant who was charged with stealing, receiving knowing the same to have been stolen, and the unlawful possession of a number of gas fittings, the property of the company. Defendant said he bought the fittings from different cheap jack shops and marine stores. He did not know they were new and firmly believed they had been used and were cast off by the company. He paid two cents each for them. He could not read English and could not understand H.K.G.O.

Mr. Shenton submitted that a man of his experience as a gas fitter must have known that the fittings were new and that two cents was a ridiculous price to put on them.

Mr. D'Almada said that no evidence had been placed before his witness that the man had stolen the fittings, no evidence had been put forward that he had received them knowing them to have been stolen, and no evidence had been brought to prove that he unlawfully possessed them. They had it from the Gas Co.'s Manager Mr. Hunter, that after the fittings were placed in a building, the landlord could do as he wished with them after he had paid the company for them.

What was there to prevent a landlord from altering the premises so as to have no further use for them and to sell them to a dealer, such as the defendant had purchased these from in Lower Macao Row? If he could not read English how could he make out the very indistinct initials of the company? there was no case.

Mr. Melbome said he believed defendant was guilty on the second charge and fined him \$100. The fittings were confiscated.

HONGKONG WATER.

Equal to Highest Class Home Waters.

This afternoon at the Sanitary Board meeting the quality of the water supply of the Colony was discussed by the members, and an interesting series of minutes on the subject was submitted. The discussion arose out of the report of Mr. Frank Bryne, the Government analyst, who, in his statement regarding the supply of the Colony for the month of May, reported that the three samples submitted to him were "of good quality, and fit for potable purposes."

Dr. Fitzwilliams intimated that he should like to draw the attention of the members of the Board to the state of the Pokfulam reservoir at present, in order that they may be able to accept at true value any further reports as to the huge volume of water which so dilutes the organisms from the hill-sides as to render them innocuous, vide the Government Analyst's report, 1909, comparing the London water supply and that of Hongkong.

The Hon. Director of Public Works intimated:—Under existing conditions, there is very little water entering the Pokfulam reservoir, and such water as finds its way through undergoes thorough aeration before entering the reservoir. Should such a rainstorm occur as is likely to convey organisms from the hill-sides into the reservoir, there would simultaneously be a large volume of water as the Government has stated. The Analyst's report shows that the Pokfulam water is still equal in quality to Home waters of the highest class.

THEFT OF AN UMBRELLA.

At the Police Court, this afternoon a man was charged with stealing an umbrella from a woman in Hung Hom. He was found guilty and sentenced to six months.

The police said that at first it was thought the man was mad; he was sent to the asylum but the doctor sent him back.

The case lasted quarters three of an hour.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

Conduit Road House Damaged.

We briefly reported in our news columns yesterday that, in the early hours of Sunday morning a house in Conduit Road was struck by lightning in the storm which passed over the Colony. We are now able to give some additional facts, which show that the case was a decidedly serious one.

The house, which is named "Hatherleigh," is occupied by a gentleman's mess, and at the time of the occurrence all were in bed asleep. It was just about one o'clock in the morning when the building was struck, and, to use the words of one of the occupants, the crash was "just like an 18-pounder going off."

The lightning appears to have first struck an ornamental ball over the dome in the centre of the roof, being attracted by an iron rod which ran through it. The ball was shattered to pieces and the lightning descended into one of the bedrooms bursting a huge piece of the ceiling out. All the electric fittings in the various rooms were shattered and in several places pieces of the walls were blown out. In one room even, a piece of wood three or four inches in length was torn out of the floor and landed high up on a curtain near several of the windows were also smashed.

Naturally, the occurrence greatly alarmed the occupants, and their plight was none the more comfortable from the fact that all lights were rendered useless and for some time nothing better than matches were available. Fortunately, no-one was hurt, but the occupants of the rooms most affected were certainly lucky in escaping as they did.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Last Night's Reception.

Yesterday His Excellency the Officer-Administering the Government held a reception at Government House which was very largely attended by the principal inhabitants of the colony. Among others who attended were the members of the consular body in Hongkong. The grounds were illuminated with lanterns, and during the evening the band of the K.O.Y.L.I. discoursed selections.

His Excellency, attended in Windsor uniform, received his guests in the ball-room which was elegantly decorated with pot-plants and ferns. The inclement weather was probably responsible for a rather small attendance of ladies.

Those who attended the official dinner were:—General Anderson, Mr. Rees Davies, Mr. Clementi, Sir Kai Ho Kai, Mr. Gompertz, Mr. O'Connell, Major Taylor, Monsieur Patillard, Colonel St. John, Mr. Alabaster, Mr. Murray Stewart, Colonel Irwin, Mr. Fivis, Colonel Gordon Hall, Mr. Macdonald, Colonel Dyer, Mr. Inni, Mr. Chatham, Mr. Thomson, Rev. Copley Moyle, Rev. Father Spada, Mr. Hallifax, Colonel Hamilton, Dr. Vorstsch, Colonel Radcliffe, Mr. Eitzen, Capt. Stewart, Colonel Begbie, Mr. de Reuss, Mr. Bideley, Mr. Wei Yuk, Colonel Staapole, Colonel Chapman, Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Pollock, Mr. Osborne, Colonel Mullins, Mr. Janssens, Major Talloch, Mr. Nilsson, Rev. Foster Pegg, Capt. Simonds, Mr. Crofton.

QUARREL OVER WATER.

At the Police Court to-day Messrs. Shenton and L. D'Almada represented parties who were at variance over water. Both solicitors suggested that the parties should be bound over to keep the peace.

The Magistrate saw wisdom in the suggestion and bound the parties to be of good behaviour for twelve months in \$100 respectively.

GAMBLERS.

At the Police Court, Sergeant Adlington placed twenty men in dock charged with gambling at 20 Chung Ching Street. When the police raided the house the gamblers were busy playing fan-tan. The first defendant who was the keeper of the house was sentenced to three months' hard labour without the option of a fine and the remainder were fined \$1 each or in the alternative three days.

SIKINDRAPOERA CO.

Dr. Nijhuis' Appeal to Hongkong Supreme Court.

The case of the Sikkim Indrapoera Rubber Concessions, Ltd., appears to be fraught with endless developments. Since the great hearing of the case in Shanghai two results have ensued in Hongkong, and now a third has made its appearance, this time in the form of a petition by Dr. Nijhuis for the compulsory winding up of the company. The document, which has been filed is as follows:—

To the Supreme Court of Hongkong—the humble petition of Gerrit Jan Nijhuis sheweth as follows:—

1.—The above named company (hereafter called the Sikkim company) was incorporated as a company limited by shares for the objects specified in the memorandum of association.

2.—The registered office of the company is situated at Hongkong at the office of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews.

3.—The company is in voluntary winding up.

4.—Your petitioner is a creditor of the Sikkim company for Tls. 250,000 with interest, for which claim action No. 73 has been instituted. He further must be indemnified by the Sikkim company and has a lien on the assets of the Sikkim company in virtue of clause 163 of the articles of association for incurred debts and incurred liabilities to an amount of guilders 323,594.03 save other claims.

5.—The liquidation of the Sikkim company is illegal and invalid, as being the resolution for voluntary winding up illegally passed.

First, no notice has been given of the first and the second meeting of shareholders on January 6 and 25, 1911, to Mr. Johannes Lucius van Laer, merchant, residing at Shanghai, a member of the company, whose name appeared on the Sikkim company from October 8, 1910, as a holder of 25,000 ordinary shares paid up shares instead of 10 shares to the said Mr. J. L. van Laer and for which transfer the duly signed transfer deed and the scrips made out in your petitioner's name were sent in by the said Mr. van Laer on September 20, 1910, for the registration of the said transfer. However instead of to Mr. van Laer, whose name afterwards illegally has been struck out, notice of both the meetings has been given to your petitioner, although he already ceased to be a member of these 25,000 shares on the said October 8, 1910, after having received notice that the said transfer was refused by the Sikkim company.

This being not an accidental omission in the meaning of clause 72 of the articles of association, but a misleading omission with regard to the member, Mr. J. L. van Laer, and a misleading notice with regard to your petitioner (see Palmer's Companies' Precedents, 1910, pages 427 and 628).

Second, Notice has been given of a meeting to pass a special resolution for voluntary winding up, including the appointment of a liquidator, and the resolution is passed simply for voluntary winding up, confirmed at the second meeting, and there is for this reason not a valid special resolution for winding up (see Palmer's Companies' Precedents 1910, page 630).

6.—The liquidator neglected his duty very seriously.

7.—He did not pay the creditors of the Sikkim company, in consequence of which the company has been held liable for the incurred debts and incurred liabilities of their officers.

8.—He concealed from the shareholders the real fact with regard to the transfer of the 25,000 shares to Mr. J. L. van Laer and filed in an action instituted by your petitioner in H. B. M. Supreme Court at Shanghai a statement of defence in which the facts with regard to this transfer have been misrepresented.

9.—He mixed himself in a procedure between two Dutch subjects in the Netherlands Consular Court at Shanghai under false pretences and false personating by which he caused the Sikkim company very heavy losses.

10.—He caused, under false pretence the transfer to himself

in his capacity as a liquidator of the Sikkim company three leasehold properties belonging to a Dutch company limited, who sold them already to a third party, and he caused therewith to the Sikkim company heavy losses.

11.—It has appeared in the course of the winding up that the directors of the Sikkim company authorized the issue of a false prospectus with regard to material facts, and also that in the formation of the company the directors, Messrs. Liddell, Nool and Dr. Marshall, H. J. Craig, Pitts and Lind are become liable to the Sikkim company for very heavy losses.

12.—It appears from the register of the shareholders of the Sikkim company that before the Sikkim company have been wound up voluntarily the said register has been forged by striking out the name of Mr. J. L. van Laer as a member of the 25,000 shares.

13.—It also appears from the title deeds, documentary facts and evidences in the cases Rex v. H. J. Craig, Puhlers v. Sikkim Co. and Nijhuis v. Sikkim Co. before H.B.M. Supreme Court at Shanghai that the directors are liable to the Sikkim company for Tls. 600,000.

14.—It further appears from documentary facts that Mr. J. E. Bingham, the would-be liquidator of the Sikkim company, must be held liable by the Sikkim company for their liabilities to an amount of guilders 323,594.03, Dutch currency.

15.—Your petitioner therefore humbly prays that the Court may make an order as follows:—

1.—That that resolution for the voluntary winding up of the Sikkim company passed in the ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Sikkim company held on January 6, 1911, is void.

2.—That all what has been done in the course of the would-be winding up is void.

3.—That the Sikkim company may be wound up by this Court.

4.—That the assets of the Sikkim company may be deposited in a bank inside the jurisdiction of this Court.

BILLIARDS.

Seamen's Institute Competition.

We give below the score for the second round of the billiard tournament which has taken place recently at the above institute.

Name	Score	Highest Break
Xavier	250	22
v.		
Ryan	178	12
Kirby	250	14
v.		
Moore	193	17
Spiegelhalter	170	15
v.		
Martin	250	20
Loukes	250	17
v.		
Turner	165	13
Gosano	178	10
Howell	250	17

Reynolds v. Barnard and Stewart v. Marquis did not play, Messrs. Reynolds and Stewart both being, unfortunately, on the sick-list.

The third round will be drawn for on Wednesday, June 5, and the competition should end somewhere about the 14th of this month. Our readers' attention is drawn to the very handsome prizes which are offered for winners in this contest; these may be seen on application to the manager of the Institute. The list is as follows:—

1st Prize: Silver Cup; presented by Messrs. Gande, Price.

2nd Prize: Pearl Cue; presented by Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co.

3rd Prize: Silver Cigarette-case; given by Messrs. Gaupp & Co.

Consolation Prize: 1,000 Cigarettes—the gift of the British American Tobacco Company.

Award for Highest Break: Silver Spoon with emblem in enamel; presented by the Seamen's Guild.

Library Returns.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending June 1/2, 1912:—

Library	Museum
Non-Chinese 370	123
Chinese 160	2,384
Total 530	2,507

MUKDEN CASE RESUMED.

At the Mixed Court, Shanghai, on May 31, before Mr. Wong, Magistrate, and Mr. Garstin, British Assessor, Ng Dzau-foong, merchant, was charged on remand with being concerned with another person at present unknown, in attempting fraudulently to withdraw a deposit from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

Mr. A. Ting, who appeared for the prosecution, said he had not had time to get the witness who had arrived from Mukden on the previous Tuesday to the Court.

Mr. Oppe, for the defence, said he understood that the case for the prosecution was closed the week before. He strongly objected to Mr. Ting producing further witnesses or evidence. He had applied for the release of the defendant at the last hearing.

Mr. Ting said that he had intended to get this witness and had telegraphed to Mukden for him before the last hearing, receiving a reply asking him to get the case postponed as the authorities were sending another witness.

Mr. Garstin said he was under the impression that the case for the prosecution was not closed at the last hearing and was distinctly under the impression that another witness was to be called. The Court was prepared to hear further evidence for the prosecution if called within a reasonable time. Mr. Ting would have to show that the money really was Government money.

Mr. Ting said he hoped to prove this by calling the witness in question.

The hearing was adjourned until the following afternoon.—"N. China Daily News."

THE LOAN.

Redemption of Military Bank Notes.

Mr. Hsiung Hsi-ling, the Minister of Finance, has announced that the stipulations governing the loan have not yet been passed. If money could be raised from other sources the loan could be cancelled. He then said that he has no ability to continue the loan negotiations and will send in his resignation to the President. The native papers in all the provinces have received a telegram from Mr. Hsiung stating that he has received a telegram from Mr. Chu Pao-san, the director of Finance in Shanghai, referring to the redemption of the military banknotes by the Bank of China. It has been ascertained that after Premier Tang Shao-yi had returned to Peking to negotiate the loan with the financial syndicate, Tang informed the bankers that Tls. 35,000,000 will be required within six weeks to pay the troops, to redeem military banknotes, and to pay the expenses of the administration. When negotiations were resumed between himself (Hsiung) and the bankers they were very interested in these two matters. But they were not in favour of appropriating money from the loan to pay the military expenses in Nanking, and declared that these expenses could be dealt with by the Commissioner of Customs.

Tang's Suggestion.

He objected to this proposal, as the loan question had not yet been adjusted. Premier Tang's suggestion to appropriate Tls. 1,500,000 for the redemption of the banknotes was settled and carried out by him with the approval of the bankers. Then he wired Mr. Wu Ting-chang, the Director-General of the Bank of China, ordering him to send Tls. 750,000 to Nanking. This payment was witnessed by Mr. Alfred Sze, the Minister of Communications, Dr. W. W. Yen, the Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Counsellor Tsai of the President's Office. As he is afraid that these matters would be misunderstood by the citizens therefore he decided to make them public. Now general Huang Hsin, the Commander-in-Chief of the Southern Army in Nanking, and the citizens, are strongly opposed to the foreign loan, consequently he did not dare to continue the loan negotiations. He says he has tendered his resignation, and in future all questions concerning money matters should be referred to the President and the Premier for consideration.

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SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Sunday, 9th June, 11 a.m.
SHAL, KOBE & MOJI	FOOKSANG	Monday, 10th June, Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	YUENSANG	Saturday, 15th June, 2 p.m.

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	Capt. S. Wada	June, at 4 p.m.

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	Capt. Yagi	June, at Noon.
	KUMANO MARU	FRIDAY, 6th
	Capt. M. Wino	July, at Noon.

KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU	WEDNESDAY, 6th
	Capt. R. Kawara	June, at 5 p.m.

SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	WAKASA MARU	WEDNESDAY, 5th
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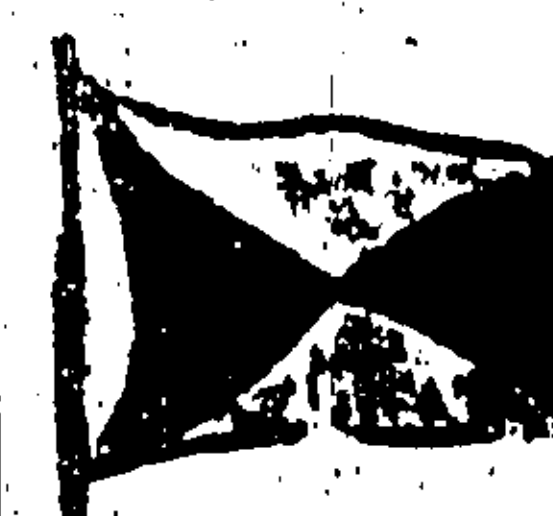
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14th July	For Marseilles, Hamburg & Antwerp:
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Tjitarcem	JAPAN	2nd half June	JAVA	2nd half June
Tjilatap	JAVA	2nd half June	SHANGHAI	1st half July
Tjimanok	JAVA	1st half July	JAPAN	1st half July
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S.S. "Shinyo Maru"	21,000	H. S. Smith	June 25th, Noon.
S.S. "Chiyo Maru"	11,000	W. W. Green	July 23rd, Noon.
S.S. "Nippon Maru"	21,000	A. G. St. John	Aug. 18th, Noon.

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LOG BOOK.

Battle-cruisers for Japan.

The "N. C. Daily News" states that it is reported from Tokyo three battle-cruisers which are now being built for the Imperial Navy at Nagasaki, Yokohama, and Kobe are to be sister-ships of the Kongo, which was launched in England on the 18th instant. The principal armament of these vessels, which consists of eight 14-inch guns, or 13.5 in calibre, together with 10 6-in. guns will probably be constructed at the Muroran Steel Foundry. The Kongo is an armoured cruiser, built down in 1911. The names of her sister ships will be Hiyo, Kirishima and Haruna. All four vessels are to be 27,000 tons displacement, and will have turbine engines of 64,000 h.p.

N.Y.K.'s Good Business.

The report of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the last half-year term shows more satisfactory results than in the previous half-year, says the "Japan Times." The receipts from passengers and freight on all liners amounted to a considerable sum owing to the general activity in shipping after the end of last year, though the Chinese revolution adversely affected the Company's Chinese line. But the gross receipts show some decrease as compared with the previous term due to a decrease of 300,000 yen in the grant of State subsidy. Still the dividend for the term will be maintained at the usual rate, that is, 1 per cent.

P. and O. Life-boats.

The Bombay superintendent, P. and O. Co., writes to the Press: I have had many enquiries during the past few days as to whether the P. and O. Co.'s steamer are adequately equipped with sufficient boat accommodation. To allay any anxiety there may be in this connection I would like to inform the public that an ample number of boats is supplied in every ship. Not only are there sufficient boats for the fullest complements of passengers and crew that each steamer can carry, but a liberal margin is allowed for besides. There may, therefore, be absolutely no anxiety whatsoever in this connection so far as this company's steamers are concerned.

REV. E. W. THWING.

Withdrawal of Slanderous Remarks on British Opium Trade.

The Peking correspondent of the "N. China Daily News" states that the Rev. E. W. Thwing has published a complete retraction of his recent attacks on the British with regard to the opium traffic.

Mr. Thwing, who is the secretary for China of the International Reform Bureau, recently published in the "Atlas Syndicate News" an article entitled "The Power of the Opium Kings." The editor of the "Peking and Tientsin Times" who received a copy of this sheet says of it in an editorial article:—"It has never been our misfortune before to read a contribution to the opium controversy so replete with instances of bad taste, or so calculated to affront British readers. It appears to us little short of an insult to invite a British editor to reproduce an article which contains in its second paragraph the statement that 'The first great 'Opium King' is the King of Great Britain and the Emperor of India.' Mr. Thwing proceeds to make a violent attack upon the late Mr. Arthur Sassoon, o.v.o. We hold no brief either for the Sassoons or for the opium trade, but even in controversy of this kind we might expect the old maxim de mortuis nil nisi bonum to prevail. The next article is headed: 'Britain tries to force to force China to open Opium Shops' and purports to be a translation of a protest lodged by the British Consul at Foochow with the native authorities against breaches of the Opium Agreement of May 1911. Finally there is a report of the Shanghai Governor's efforts to stamp out opium."

VESSELS TAKING CARGO.

European Ports.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Dispatched.
London and Antwerp	Denbighshire	J. M. & Co.	15 June
Marseilles, Hamburg and Antwerp	Andalusia	H. A. L.	13 June
Marseilles, Havre and Hamburg	Liberia	H. A. L.	27 June
Marseilles, &c., via Suez Canal	Kitano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June, daylight
do do do	Iyo Maru	N. Y. K.	19 June
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg	Scandia	H. A. L.	7 June
Trieste via Singapore, &c.	Africa	S. W. & Co.	19 June
Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp	Bayern	H. A. L.	18 June
do do do	Badenia	H. A. L.	20 June

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

New York	Lothian	D. & Co.	15 June
Boston and New York via Suez	Walton Hall	S. T. & Co.	8 June, about
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan	Chiyu Maru	T. K. K.	23 July
do do do	Persia	P. M. Co.	11 June, 1 p.m.
Seattle via Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Minnesota	N. Y. K.	5 August
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan &c.	Shinyo Maru	T. K. K.	25 June
Mexico, Peru, Chili via Japan	H'kong Maru	T. K. K.	7 June, Noon
do do do	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	8 August
do do do	Buyo Maru	T. K. K.	4 October
Victoria & Tacoma via Shanghai & Japan	Canada Maru	O. K. S.	26 June
Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai and Japan	Kamakura Maru	N. Y. K.	4 June
Victoria, and Tacoma via Japan	Chicago Maru	O. S. K.	13 June
do do do	Tacoma Maru	O. S. K.	11 July 1 p.m.
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of India	C. P. R. Co.	22 June
Vancouver, Seattle and Portland	Oceano	Bank Line	27 June

Australia.

Australian Ports via Manila	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	7 June
do do do	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 July
do do do	Coblentz	M. & Co.	15 June
do do do	Aldenharn	G. L. & Co.	6 June, Noon

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Singapore, Penang and Bangkok	Itola	J. M. & Co.	10 June
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay	Bombay Maru	N. Y. K.	10 June
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Fooksang	J. M. & Co.	13 June, Noon
Kobe and Yokohama	Tango Maru	N. Y. K.	6 June
do do do	Fulata	J. M. & Co.	15 June
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	Middle of June
Java, &c.	Tijpanas	J. C. J. L.	F. half June
Weihaiwei and Tientsin	Huichow	B. & S.	10 June
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	5 June, Noon
Haiphong	Singan	B. & S.	8 June, 9 a.m.
do do do	Tijliwong	J. C. J. L.	S. half June
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Tijmanoeck	J. C. J. L.	F. half July
Manila	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June, Noon
Manila, Mangarin, Hoilo and Cebu	Loongsang	J. M. & Co.	8 June, 2 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	10 June, 4 p.m.
do do do	Silesia	H. A. L.	20 June
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Furst Bulow	H. A. L.	20 June
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Wakasa Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June
Shanghai	Namsang	J. M. & Co.	10 June, Noon
do do do	Tijlatjap	J. C. J. L.	F. half July
do do do	Monmouthshire	J. M. & Co.	8 June
do do do	Anhui	B. & S.	8 June, midnight
do do do	Chinhua	B. & S.	6 June, 4 p.m.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Arcadia left Singapore for this port on the 1st inst., at 8 a.m., with the outward English Mail, and is due here on the 6th inst., at about 11 a.m.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Korea from San Francisco sailed from Yokohama on 28th ult., carrying U.S. Mail, on route to Hongkong, via Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 10th inst. She will be dispatched from this port on the 18th inst., at 1 p.m., for San Francisco, via Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Siberia from San Francisco, for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 21st inst.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of India, left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong, via usual ports of call, on Thursday, the 28th ult., at 8 a.m.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. and A. s.s. Empire from Sydney, left Port Darwin on the 28th ult., for Manila and Hongkong.

The E. & A. s.s. Aldenharn will leave for Australia on the 6th inst.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Waldemar, left Sydney on Saturday, the 1st inst., at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 24th inst.

The E. & A. s.s. Aldenharn, from Sydney, etc., left Manila on June 3, at 7 a.m., for Hongkong.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Tamba Maru, American Line, left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 31st ult., and is expected here on the 9th inst.

GERMAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Eitel Friedrich carrying a German Mail, with dates from Berlin of the 15th ult., left Colombo on Saturday, p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 12th inst., a.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. R. s.s. Kiyo Maru sailed from Valparaiso, Chile, on the 8th ult., for Hongkong and is expected on the 28th inst.

The s.s. Indravelli passed the Suez Canal on the 10th ult., and is expected here on or about 6th inst.

The s.s. Glenroy passed the Suez Canal on the 10th ult., and is due here on or about 8th inst.

The American and Manchurian Line s.s. Kansas passed the Suez Canal on the 21st ult., and is due here on or about 19th inst.

The s.s. Atholl sailed from the United Kingdom on the 20th ult., for Hongkong via the Straits.

The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Mamsang left Calcutta on the 25th ult., and is due at Hongkong about June 10.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Kifu Maru, Calcutta Line, left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 31st ult., and is expected here on the 7th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Bombay Maru, Bombay Line, left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 31st ult., and is expected here on the 7th inst.

The H. A. L. s.s. Segovia left Singapore on the 30th ult., p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 5th inst., a.m.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Wakasa Maru, Bombay Line, left Singapore for this port on the 31st ult., and is expected here on the 18th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Tosa Maru, Bombay Line, left Bombay for this port on the 31st ult., and is expected here on the 18th inst.

The I. G. M. s.s. Derfflinger which left here on Thursday, the 28th ult., at noon, arrived at Shanghai on Saturday, the 1st inst., at 8 a.m.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Sigismund which left here on Tuesday, the 28th ult., at 6 p.m., arrived at Kobe on Monday, the 3rd inst., at 7 a.m.

The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Namsang, from Calcutta, is due at Hongkong on the 10th inst., and leaves for Shanghai and Japan on June 12.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Muttia, from Rangoon, is due at Hongkong on the 7th inst., and leaves for Japan on June 8.

The Shire Line s.s. Monmouthshire from Singapore is due at Hongkong on the 7th inst., and leaves for Shanghai and Japan on the 8th inst.

The Shire Line s.s. Pambrorah from London is due at Hongkong on the 26th inst.

The India Line s.s. Indradeo from New York, is due at Hongkong on the 24th inst.

The Swedish East Asiatic s.s. Canton left Suez on the 29th ult., and is expected here on or about the 29th inst.

The H. A. L. s.s. Scandia left Shanghai on the 2nd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 6th inst., a.m.

The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Fooksang, from Moji, is due at Hongkong on the 7th inst., and leaves for Straits and Calcutta on June 18.

PASSENGERS.

Outward.

Per P. and O. steamer Marmora, connecting with the steamer Arcadia at Colombo. From London May 3.

To Shanghai: Miss K. Evans.

To Bangkok: Mr. W. G. Peiniger.

To Manila: Miss I. M. Drysdale.

To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rigby; Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Ross and child, Miss N. O. Jones, Mrs. W. Towgood, Miss M. John, Mr. E. O. Cooke, Mr. E. R. Blunstone, Mr. Hughes, Mr. W. H. Wilkins, Mr. L. Miller.

To Penang: Mr. A. N. Stevenson, Miss M. Voase. Mr. B. C. Warren, Mr. J. E. S. Codner, Mr. A. Wilson.

From Marseilles May 10.

To Bangkok: Graham.

To Sourabaya: Mr. J. O. Ferrier.

To Singapore: Mr. H. Laughler, Mrs. J. C. Ferrier, Mr. R. M. B. Bryant, Mr. A. N. Buchanan, Mr. C. M. Cumming, Mrs. van der Tooren, Mr. H. M. Wedd.

To Penang: Mr. D. F. Topham, Mr. and Mrs. F. Gordon-Forbes, Mr. R. D. Greenhill, Mr. O. E. Cumming, Capt. Davidson, Mr. A. P. Heal, Mr. J. S. Brittain.

Per P. and O. steamer Malta, from London May 18.—To Shanghai: Mrs. and Miss Youngs, Mrs. C. Hamilton and child, Mr. and Mrs. Miss H. Franklin, A. C. Cutler, Mrs. A. W. Marshall and child.

To Hongkong: Mr. B. D. Evans, Mr. A. J. Mackie, Lieut. H. R. Kunhardt, Major C. G. Pritchard.

To Singapore: Mrs. I. Catto, Mr. J. Bruce, Dr. W. H. Hart, Miss M. A. McPhae, Capt. T. N. Dunman, Mr. H. Hirst.

To Penang: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thorne and children, Mr. W. Mulcock, Dr. D. T. Skeen, Lieut. D. A. Hutchison, Mr. P. B. Linch, Mr. G. Brown, Mr. A. J. Tyrrell, Mr. W. A. Waters.

Per P. and O. steamer Maloja, connecting with the steamer Devanha at Colombo. From London May 31.—To Shanghai: Mr. D. Anderson.

To Hongkong: Mr. C. Pemberton.

To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rigby, Mr. J. Haff. From Marseilles June 7.—To Penang: Mr. J. E. Nathan.

Per P. & O. steamer Moldavia, connecting with the steamer Assayo at Colombo.

From London May 17.—To Shanghai: Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Gould and child, Miss R. Norman.

To Singapore: Mr. W. B. Williams, Mr. F. W. A. Willmott, Mr. H. L. Manchester.

To Penang: Miss K. S. Cowderoy.

From Marseilles May 24.—To Sourabaya: Mr. A. E. Brunning.

To Singapore: Mr. B. Johnston. From Brindisi May 26.—To Manila: Mr. J. F. Kent.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Haida, Nor. s.s., 1,005, G. Solberg, 2nd June—Bangkok via Swatow 24th May, Gen.—O. S. B. N. Co.

Patchaburi, Br. s.s., 1,373, C. Goscarsch, 2nd June—Bangkok 25th May, Rice.—B. & S.

Devawongse, Ger. s.s., 1,057, E. Gathemann, 2nd June—Bangkok and Swatow 1st June, Rice.—B. & S.

Caronia, Rus. s.s., 2,040, J. Laredo, 2nd June—Singapore 27th May, Gen.—Chinese.

Chihli, Br. s.s., 1,297, F. McGahey, 3rd June—Newchwang and Dally 27th May, Gen.—B. & S.

Chinhua, Br. s.s., 1,240, Nalder, 3rd June—Shanghai 30th May, Gen.—B. & S.

Hanyang, Br. s.s., 1,215, Cogan, 3rd June—Wakamatsu 28th May, Coal.—B. & S.

Africa, Aust. s.s., 2,014, M. Mariglia, 3rd June—Trieste 4th May, Gen.—S. W. & Co.

Arratoon Ayeer, Br. s.s., 2,081, F. M. Austin, 3rd June—Moji 29th May, Gen.—D. S. & Co.

Jinsen Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,346, M. Machida, 3rd June—Singapore 28th May, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Kitano Maru, Jap. s.s., 5,277, F. E. Cape, 3rd June—Shanghai 31st May, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Kwangle, Chi. s.s., 1,468, J. Mo Arthur, 3rd June—Shanghai 31st May, Gen.—O. M. S. N. Co.

Rajah, Ger. s.s., 1,275, A. Roscher, 3rd June—Wakamatsu 28th May, Coal.—M. B. K.

Empire, Br. s.s., 2,840, St. John George, 3rd June—Sydney 9th and Manila 31st May, Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Bendloch, Br. s.s., 2,569, MacMillan, 4th June—Singapore 29th May, Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Sithonia, Ger. s.s., 8,544, B. Rotzke, 4th June—Shanghai 1st June, Gen.—H. A. L.

Salasia, Fr. s.s., 2,773, Lerouquier, 4th June—Marseilles 7th May, Gen.—M. M.

Tango Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,027, Kawa, 4th June—Singapore 29th May, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Nikko Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,489, Yagi, 4th June—Nagasaki 31st May, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Japan, Br. s.s., 3,806, Archdeacon, 4th June—Singapore 30th May, Gen.—D. S. & Co.

Loong Sang, Br. s.s., 1,093, Leask, 4th June—Manila 1st June, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Yushun, Chi. s.s., 1,079, Pratt, 4th June—Canton 3rd June, Gen.—O. M. S. N. Co.

Hysan, Br. s.s., 4,232, D. Maclean, 4th June—Shanghai 2nd June, Gen.—B. & S.

OLEANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Chihli, for Canton.

Shantung, for Wakamatsu.

Helena, for Haiphong.

Sima, for Yokohama.

Tenyo-maru, for San Francisco.

Kamakura-maru, for Victoria.

Ching-ling, for Macao.

Haifong, for Foochow.

Chih-ping, for Tientsin.

Kwangle, for Canton.

Tango-maru, for Kobe.

Nippon, for Chinkiang.

Ernest Simons, for Saigon.

Kwangle, for Shanghai.

Salasia, for Yokohama.

Kitano-maru, for London.

Sithonia, for Hamburg.

Bendloch, for Yokohama.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Nikko-maru, arrived 4th June, from Nagasaki:—

Nakamura, Lt. K. Willson, Geo.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. Bulow, sailed on 1st June for Europe, &c.:—

Lee Ah-sek, Luk Shing, Leong Hoy, Mohol, Mrs. Mo Kan, Mrs. and Miss, Maynard, H. W. Mooser, L. Nattelorn, E. Phittles, S. Petrich, B. Prentiss, A. M. Ro, Ch. Rohermal, D. Saxton, Capt. and Mrs. Spalinger, Mr. and Mrs. Sharp, A. Them, A. Thiridhas, Will, Miss E. Yio, Dr.

Hammerding, L. Hammerding, E. Haulohndt, F. Herlick, O. R. Igner, G. Jemel, Frank J. Jordis, C. F. Khan, H.

June 3rd.

10 a.m. 4 p.m.

Barometer 29.87 29.83

Temperature 76 82

Humidity 94 84

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HOTEL LISTS.

Aston House.

Avasis, D. C. Lewis, B. J. Bena, G. A. Lugebil, V. Birot, L. Mateo, Dr. & Mrs. Milton, J.

Broo, A. de Castillo, V. M. del Morion, Mrs. Chione, L. P. Muller, A. Chione, Mr. & Mrs. Nagel

Chopard, F. A. Nelson, H. E. Cohen, Marcus Petala, G. A. Combeau, Lt. Plattling, N. Combeau, Lieut. Pointe, W. F. la

Crowsky, H. Prentiss, A. M. Davy, A. J. Fisher, C. M. Ribault, Capt. Fisk, Major and Rigby, Jas. S. Mrs. A. F. Ritchey, A. B.

Grasdo, A. Ritterband, Mrs. Hales, Mr. O. E. J. S. Hacked, Mr. and Robinson, H. P. Mrs. O. D. Seboer, H. H.

Herschel, Max Schult, H. F. Hockyn, H. P. Shaefer, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Smith, E. H.

Kumbe, E. V. Smith, G. R. Jensen, E. V. Steiner, Louis Jones, J. M. Stewart, T. B. Jordan, E. F. Stewart, G. M.

Josia, Miss B. R. Suesemann, H. A. Josia, Miss M. R. Sullivan, J. Kasot, Miss O. Wagenseil, Geo. Knight, Mrs. T. O.

Kurtz, H. J. Wagenseil, G. O. Kurtz, H. R. Wright, H. M.

King Edward Hotel.

Aoki, T. Massey, Miss Aveland, Mr. and McCormack, J. Mr. Mody, Mr. & Mrs. Bannatyne, Capt. J. H. N.

Bannatyne, Miss M. Murray, M. F. Bellio, Dr. Nagel, W. Chisholm, J. Nobbs, A. K. Corkett, Miss Nolaco, H. Cornack, A. C. Notte oom, E. Cowen, Mrs. Passmo, C. Opt. Mrs. Peterson, H. Fizelet, Mrs. Petelap, R. Hartok, J. S. Ramsey, Mrs. R. Haskell, D. Reed, E. B. Hran, G. O. Ross, L. C. Hufschmidt, F. Sibree Dr. A. Fin, Shun-po

Kinghorn, Mr. and Spurge, H. S. Mrs. Stewart, Capt. Kunkel, G. Mrs. Allan B. Lancelson, Mr. and children Mrs. O. Taylor, H. H. Leigh, Miss A. Watkins, H. Lonsdale, Mr. and Watson, J. Mr. and child White, F. Lencox, J. N. Wong, S. Q. Manoh, O. N.

Ernest Simons, for Marseilles.

Kamakura-maru, for San Francisco.

Ching-ling, for Macao.

Haifong, for Foochow.

Chih-ping, for Tientsin.

Kwangle, for Canton.

Tango-maru, for Kobe.

Nippon, for Chinkiang.

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Kwangle, for Shanghai.

Salasia, for Yokohama.

Kitano-maru, for London.

Sithonia, for Hamburg.

Bendloch, for Yokohama.

FAR EASTERN NAVAL SQUADRONS.

MARKET PRICES.

Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander	Reported at
Alcority	Despatch-boat	1,700	4	2,000	Comdr. C. L. Lambe	Weihaiwei
Atlas	Admiralty tug	615	—	1,400	Master West	Hongkong
Bramble	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. B. E. Prichard	Kiukiang
B. Bomart	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. W. H. Darwell	Hankow
Cadmus	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Comdr. H. Williams	Hankow
Cambrian	2nd class cruiser	4,380	10	7,000	Capt. J. E. Drummond	Weihaiwei
Chorab	Water tank and tug	300	—	340	Master W. Smith	Canton
Clio	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Comdr. H. R. Voale	Canton
Defence	Torpedo-boat destroyer	340	6	5,700	Captain H. Bruce M.V.O.	Weihaiwei
Fano	2nd class cruiser	4,350	10	7,000	Lt.-Com. H. S. Monroe	Hongkong
Flora	Torpedo-boat destroyer	205	6	4,000	Capt. C. F. Corbett M.V.O.	Shanghai
Handy	Torpedo-boat destroyer	320	6	3,000	Lt.-Com. F. G. Brickendon	West River
Janus	Armoured cruiser	9,800	14	22,000	Lt.-Com. W. G. O. Maxwell	Hongkong
Kont	River gunboat	618	—	1,200	Capt. Allen T. Hunt O.S.I.	Kobe
Kinsla	Surveying ship	1,070	6	1,400	Lt.-Com. H. Marryatt	Hankow
Morlin	Armoured cruiser	14,000	—	27,000	Capt. G. C. Pascoe	Labuan
Minotaur	Armoured cruiser	9,800	—	22,000	Capt. B. H. F. Bartlett	Weihaiwei
Moormouth	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. P. Leith	Hongkong
Moorhen	2nd class cruiser	4,800	—	22,000	Capt. G. P. E. Hunt D.S.O.	Weihaiwei
Newcastle	Torpedo-boat	385	6	6,300	Lt.-Comdr. M. Murray	Yangtze
Nightingale	Protected cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. F. I. Mitchell	Weihaiwei
Otter	3rd class cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. N. Luxmoore	Hongkong
Paganus	T.B.D.	500	6	7,500	Lt.-Com. E. J. G. Mackinnon	Weihaiwei
Prometheus	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. A. Dixon	West River
Ribble	Depotship for Submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt.-Comdr. N. E. Archdale	Hongkong
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. I. S. Hilton	West River
Rosario	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. M. urice Leslie	Yangtze
Sandpiper	Torpedo boat destroyer	305	—	6,000	Gunner E. J. Trillo	Hongkong
Snipe	Receiving ship	4,650	6	—	Comdr. C. J. Eyles	Hongkong
Taku	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. Hon. Guy Stuyf Cortlandt	Chungking
Tamar	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. H. R. N. Cotrell	Dormer
Teal	T.B.D.	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Com. B. W. Blunt	Weihaiwei
Thistle	Torpedo-boat destroyer	390	6	6,300	Lt.-Com. H. A. Adair-Hall	Weihaiwei
Uk	Surveying ship	620	—	450	Lt.-Com. F. A. Rayne	Singapore
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	360	5	5,700	Lt.-Com. C. Seymour	Shanghai
Waterwitch	Gunboat	195	2	800	Lt.-Com. G. B. Hartford	Weihaiwei
Welland	Gunboat	150	2	550	Comdr. J. C. Borrett	Kiating
Whiting	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt.-Com. M. B. Blackwood	Yangtze
Widgeon	Gunboat	150	2	550	Comdr. G. F. Mulock	Hankow
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Kleber	Armoured cruiser	9,700	12	19,600	Capt. Gourts	Tonkin	
Decidee	Gunboat	645	10	1,000	Lieut. Vandier	Hankow	
Argus	River gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton	
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. de Gervillier	Canton	
Peiho	Gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tongku	
Dondard de Lagree,	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Duteemps	Tehong-kin	
Lyax	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Boluix	Saigon	
Protee	Submarine	—	—	—		Saigon	
Slyx *	Armoured gunboat	1,798	10	1,700	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon	
Fronde	Destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon	
d'Iberville	Destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Romieux	Saigon	
Pistolet	Destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessac	Saigon	
Mousquet	Destroyer	307	6	300		Saigon	
Manche	Summering ship	1,005	10				

COMMERCIAL.

Penang Produce Market.

Gold Leaf	\$64.80
Black Pepper	no stock
White Pepper	29 1/2 buyers
Trang Pepper	23—sellers
Cloves	35—nominal
Mace	120—sellers
Pickings	110—sellers
Nutmegs 110s	23—buyers
No. 1	8.20 sales
Sugar	2—8.10
Copra (mixed)	10.70
Talluam	190—sellers
Soondo	245—
Suen	20—
Ramhong	20—
India Rubber	225—
Battans	11.20
Corse	10.60
Green Snail Shells	13—sellers
Fishmaws No. 1	0
split	203—per pol.
Fishmaws No. 1	190—
split	205—
Fishmaws No. 1	170—
whole	350—per coy
Rice, Siam No. 1	330—
now	305—
Rice, Siam No. 2	305—
now	305—
Rice, Rangoon No. 1	207
1 vide local columns	2.65
"Puloo No. 1	2.11
"Bintong	1.25 old crop
Broken	1.40—per coy
Brand	3.75—per bag
Brand, No. 2	3.40—per bag
Devos's Oil	\$1.61 per tin
Sylvan Arrow Oil	1.44 per tin
Dragon Brand Oil	1.57-1.2 per tin
Dangkai Oil in	1.30 per tin
Bulk	1.30 per tin
Langkat Oil	1.57-1.2 per tin
Brand	1.50 per tin
Langkat Oil (Cork	1.50 per tin
Brand)	1.50 per tin
Langkat Oil	1.50 per tin
(Crown Brand)	1.50 per tin
Borneo Oil (Cross	1.42-1.2 per tin
Brand)	\$3.39 per case
Devos's Oil	\$3.02 per case
Sylvan Arrow	\$1.05 per tin
Oil	77-1.2 cts. per tin
Oil	\$2.768.17
Brand Oil 70 cts. per tin	

Serendah Tin

The following are the returns of Serendah Hydraulic Tin Mining Company for April 1912:

Output	95.15 Pkls.
Value	\$5,550.88
Landak purchases	\$221.00
Working costs	\$2,561.21
Profit	\$2,768.17

A Ceylon Rubber Estate Changes Hands.

The Grand Southern Estate, consisting of 430 odd acres, nearly all of which is in rubber, 110 acres planted in 1910 and the balance last year, has been purchased by the Eastern Produce and Estates Co., Ltd., from the Ceylon Coconut Oil and Desiccating Co., Ltd., the price paid being Rs. 115,000. The property, says the "Malay Mail," is situated in the Matara district of the Southern Province, about five miles from Akuressa and is in an ideal climate for rubber, there seldom being a month without rain. The estate was opened by Mr. Mr. L. M. W. Wilkins, one of the directors of the Ceylon Coconut Oil Desiccating Co., who had an European assistant under him, and entirely by Sinhalese labour from the villages round about, no Tamils having been employed on it to date.

Rubber from Cochin China.

Conclusive trials on the part of the Hutchinson factory have testified as to the very favourable manner in which rubber produced in Cochin China compares with Malay sorts. A letter has been received from the Paris brokers that samples which came to hand were sold at the following prices, notwithstanding the small quantities offered—clear sheets, No. 1 francs 15 per kilo; light scraps 12 francs; and block 11 francs per kilo. These gentlemen add that the price of 15 francs obtained for the clear sheets No. 1 correspond in comparison to a quotation slightly above 6s. 7d. in London, allowing for discount and freight, while the highest price obtained for Malay sorts at the same period was only 60d.—"Siam W. Mail."

LOSS OF THE OCEANA.

Serious Features of the Case.

In the Admiralty Division, before the President, Sir Samuel Evans, and Assessors, judgment was delivered recently in the claim of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company (Limited) against the owners of the German sailing vessel Pisagua, in respect of the collision in the English Channel on March 16 last. His Lordship held the Oceana alone to blame, and commented severely on those responsible for her navigation. Judgment was entered for the defendants on the claim and the counter claim, with costs.

The Wreck Inquiry.

Before Mr. J. Dickinson, with Assessors, Rear-Admiral E. J. Fleet, R.N.Li., Captain C. B. Graves, and Captain H. E. Batt, the inquiry into the loss of the Oceana was held.

Mr. Bateson, appearing for the Board of Trade, said the action in the Admiralty Court being now over, he would open the case as to the collision. The Pisagua was coming up Channel at about nine knots. It was a fine clear night. The Oceana was sighted on the starboard bow. There being no alteration in the course of the Oceana a blue flare was burnt. The Oceana's red light opened as if she were porting, and then the collision happened. The Pisagua did not alter her course. The Oceana's story was that she was going at 14-12 knots, the chief officer being on the bridge, when one going from the look-out indicated a vessel on the port bow and the chief officer saw the flare. He ordered the Oceana to port 5 degrees. The pilot, who had been resting in the chart room, came out on hearing that order and gave the order "Hard-a-port," but the collision happened.

Mr. Walter Naylor, chief officer of the Oceana, stated that he heard the gong once and saw the Pisagua on the port bow coming on showing her starboard side. He saw a faint green light, when the flare died away he saw a bright green light, due he thought to a change of lamp. He ported five degrees as he concluded the vessels were dangerously close. He gave no signal when he ported, as the Pisagua did not show her red light he intended to starboard. Mr. Penney (the pilot) came out and ordered the helm hard-a-port. The Pisagua was then about three-quarters of a mile away and appeared to be turning on her starboard helm. He considered the collision was due to the interference of the pilot and the starboarding of the other ship. If the Pisagua had carried better lights he would have seen her before she got into a position of danger.

Chief Officer Examined.

Mr. Naylor, recalled and examined said when his attention was called to the Pisagua's flare he gave the order 5 degrees to port. The pilot then came out, looked through his glasses at the Pisagua, and at once ordered hard-a-port. The witness thought that order was premature. He saw the Pisagua was turning on a starboard helm and said, "My God, Penney." The pilot turned, took the witness's hand in both his, and said, "I am awfully sorry for you, old chap; this is all my doings." I took the cue from you and went hard-a-port."

Mr. Bateson.—You are responsible for being the boats put out. Do you think you have enough officers and men under you for efficient working of your boats in emergency?—It would be better if there were an officer for each boat.

Do you consider that the officers are sufficient for working in emergency?—It would be better if there were an officer for each boat.

It was the purser's duty to look after the passengers. Is that first-class or all?—All, both first and second.

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Consignee.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"DERFFLINGER," having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 5th of June, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th of June, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 12th of June 1912, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

This steamer brings Cargo Ex s.s. "Dandolo" from Venice. Ex s.s. "G. Weermann" from Africa.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN, Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1912.

AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "AFGHAN PRINCE," FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of cargo on the above named vessel are hereby informed that the Average Bond is lying at the office of the undersigned for signature and a deposit of 5 per cent. is to be made before commencing Bills of Lading and that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th June, at 2.30 p.m.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 14th June, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 9th June, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. ARNOLD KARBURG & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 28th May 1912.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ALEXIA," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given to-day.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th June, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th June, at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

This steamer brings on cargo:— Ex s.s. "Weimer" from Norikoping. "Malaga" from Göteborg. "Kut" from Statlin. "Frankiska" from Statlin. "Naga" from Göteborg.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, HONGKONG OFFICE.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1912.

Banks

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INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be decided on application.

TAKAO TAKAMICHI, Manager.

Hongkong, 14 April, 1912.

Public Companies

RE THE ESTATE OF MISS E. M. W. KENNEDY, DECEASED.

ANYONE having claims against the estate of the above is requested to send particulars of the same to the undersigned on or before June 30, 1912.

D. KENNEDY, Horse Repository, Causeway Bay.

Hongkong, 3rd June, 1912.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE have this day removed our offices to Second Floor, No. 2, Pedder Street, formerly occupied by the American Consulate General.

JORGE & CO., Hongkong, 3rd June, 1912.

NOTICE.

THE DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT has found it necessary to remove from No. 63, Des Voeux Road Central to more commodious quarters, and will for the future be located at No. 24, Des Voeux Road Central, next to P. & O. Office.

We solicit your kind patronage as you have extended to us in the past, and assuring you of the very best of attention.

We beg to remain, Yours Faithfully, DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT, Phone No. 482.

Hongkong 22nd May, 1912.

To Let

TO LET on 2nd Floor No. 2, Pedder Street.

Two roomed Office, entry on or about 1st June. Apply Property Office, Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1912.

TO LET.

No. 2, Mountain View, Peak, from 1st June. Apply Messrs. LINSTED and DAVIS, 8rd floor, Alexandra Buildings.

OFFICES in King's Building.

"Ranby," 11 Conduit Road, from 1st June.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong 16th Dec. 1911.

Banks

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000. RESERVE FUND \$10,000,000. Sterling £1,000,000 at 2/6. Silver 14,700,000.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO. \$11,000,000. PRINCIPAL.

COURT OF DIRECTORS: E. Shellm, Esq., Chairman.

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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. or on deposits at the rate of 4 per cent. on application.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS: For 3 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For 6 months, 5 1/2 per cent. per annum.

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N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

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THIS Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$1,200,000. RESERVE FUND \$1,500,000.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

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W. M. DICKSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1912.

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP—\$1,750,000.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS—BANKERS: Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Tsingtau, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS: Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons.

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DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENTS.

DIRECTOR DER DISCOUNT GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Banks

R. TIMMERSCHEIDT, Manager.

Hongkong, 9th Oct., 1911.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Aut. Paid Capital \$1,500,000. 8 crided " 1,125,000. Paid Up " 582,000. Reserve Fund " 885,000.

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AGENTS IN JAPAN: Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

BANKERS: Bank of England, London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of Consignments. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

F. C. MACDONALD, Manager.

Exchange

Selling.		Buying.	
T/T	1/11 1/2	1 m/s. L/C	3/1
Demand	1/11 15/16	4 m/s. D/P	3/1
10 d/s	2/1	6 m/s. L/C	3/1
30 d/s	2/1 1/16	80 d/s. Sydney & Melbourne	3/1
1 m/s	2/1 1/2	30 d/s. San Foo & New York	49 1/2
T/T. Shanghai	7 1/2	1 m/s. Marks	309
T/T. Singapore	35 1/2	1 m/s. France	2.56
T/T. Japan	7 1/2	5 m/s. do	2.56
T/T. India	149	Bar Silver, ready	27 15/16
Demand India	149 1/2	forward	28 1/2
T/T. San Francisco and New York	48 1/2	Bank of England rate	3%
T/T. Java	119 1/2	Sovereign	\$10.07
T/T. Manila	204		
T/T. Hongkong	2.51		

Subsidiary Coins.		Opium Quotation.	
Discount per \$100.		May, 29.	
Chinese	30 cts. pieces	Malwa, New	\$3.100 per pic.
Chinese	10	Malwa, Old	3.180
Hongkong	30	Malwa, V. Old	3.250
Hongkong	10	Persian, fine quality	1.700
		Persian, New	3.375 per che
		Persian, Old	3.125
		Bombay, New	3.275
		Bombay, Old	3.100

SHARE REPORT

STOCKS & PAID UP VALUE. CLOSING PRICES. LAST DIVIDEND AND DATE.

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Might Have Saved Some.

On Wednesday Mr. John L. St. George Lilley said, in answer to Mr. Peterson, that he was the

Annual Meeting.

Proposed by Mr. Bowerman, seconded by Mr. Trevor Smith that Messrs. G. H. and N. Thomson be re-elected auditors of the company to serve until the next ordinary general meeting of shareholders, and that their remuneration be £1s. 300 per annum.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

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For further particulars, apply to

H W D. BEALLARD

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s office

Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd June 1912.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

For	STEAMERS.	T. TO SAIL ON.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN....	GOEBEN Capt. A. Ahlborn	17,300 { WED' DAY, 13th June, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	P. E. FRIEDRICH Capt. E. Malchow	About 16,000 { THURSDAY, 13th June.
MANILA, ANGAUR, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.....	PRINZ SIGISMUND Capt. D. Lenz	6,000 { SATURDAY, 15th June, at 10 A.M.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	PRINZ WALDEMAR Capt. H. Bremer	About 9,100 { TUESDAY, 25th June.

All the steamers of the European Line are fitted with Wireless Telegraphy.
New System of Telefunken.

For further Particulars, apply to

GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG and CHINA.

Hongkong, 1st June 1912. [7]

Hongkong-South China Coast Ports.

Highest Class, Fastest and Most Luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having splendid Accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW AND RETURN

STEAMSHIP.	CAPTAIN	LEAVING.
HAIIYANG ...	J. W. Evans	FRIDAY, 7th June, at 11 A.M.
HAICHING...	W. C. Passmore...	TUESDAY, 11th June, at 11 A.M.

During the months of June and July.—Return available for three months will be issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on the usual rate to Foochoo.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN. (Occupying 3 Days).

HAJMUN ... | A. H. Stewart | SUNDAY, 9th June, at 10 A.M.
Steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the Co.'s Wharf near Blake Pier.
For Freight and Passage apply to

Douglas, Lapraik & Co.,

General Managers.

**THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN
STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.**

Mail Service to Australia

MAIL SCHEDULE
(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

Steamers	Arrive Hongkong from Australia	Leave Hongkong for Australia
EMPIRE		22nd June.
ALDENHAM		6th Dec.
ST. ALBANS	28th June.	20th July.

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